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## INTRODUCTION

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We marvel at their antiquity, at the mystery which seems to shroud their origin, and pass fearfully under their very shadows to the scenes which beckon from beyond.

From the heights of the Blackall Range—Maleny, Montville, Mapleton—we gaze spell-bound over smiling orchards and busy townships to the far-flung coast line, where Pacific rollers wage an unceasing battle against their ever-spurning but slowly yielding foe.

We lower our view to jungle-clad declivities where giant staghorns, elkhorns, orchids, and tree ferns lavishly decorate Nature's garden, and where hidden waterfalls murmur harmonious accompaniment to the tuneful notes of birds.

We trace the course of rivers slowly winding to the sea, their silver sheen contrasting vividly with the russets and greens of the fertile farmlands checkering the landscape far beneath our feet.

We breathe deeply the ozone-laden air, and feel an overwhelming urge to offer a pæan of praise to the Creator who bestows His scenic bounties with such generous hand:

Oh! Sing a song of sunlit heights,  
Of smiling valleys verdure clad;  
Of brilliant days and starry nights  
That fill the heart and make us glad—  
Glad that we lived these scenes to view,  
To bathe our souls in rapture sweet,  
'Neath age-old mountains ever new,  
By glistening seas that lave their feet.

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Forest Scene, Blackall Range, North Coast Line, Queensland.



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WE choose the 8.10 morning train from Brisbane Central. It is the best for seeing the North Coast, and starts at a pleasant time that ensures a good night's rest and a comfortable breakfast.

Soon we are running through Brisbane's pretty northern suburbs. Verdant farming areas and occasional belts of bush, with glimpses of D'Aguilar Range westward, follow for the thirty miles to Caboolture.

### Cook's "Mountains Like Glass Houses"

Here the North Coast scenic province really begins. A few miles beyond Caboolture the weirdly named Miketeebumulgrai, first of the Glass House Mountains, comes into view, followed by the twin peaks of Tunbubudla, both a few miles to the left.

All the eleven peaks of the Glass House Mountains are to the left of the line going north. They vary from 750 feet to Beerwah's pyramidal bulk of 1,760 feet. Beerburum is near the railway station of that name.

Immediately past Beerburum we are particularly impressed by the bluff mass of Tibrogargan (1,160 feet) and the sharp top and "Crookneck" of Coonowrin (1,170 feet). They are quite close to the line, and

appear with startling suddenness. Ngungun, near Glass House Mountains Station, and Coochin, before reaching Beerwah Station, follow.

Navigator James Cook saw these strangely shaped detached peaks from the "Endeavour's" deck in 1770. He gave them their name because they reminded him of the glass houses or furnaces near his Yorkshire home. They are of trachyte, or other variants of that type. The thickly timbered level country from which they rise in sheer abruptness is principally sandstone.

### Landsborough For Maleny-Caloundra

The land improves generally from Glass House Mountains to Landsborough. After Landsborough we enter in earnest the green, fruitful, smiling North Coast:

"A fair, green land of hill and plain, of rivers and water springs,

Where the sun still follows after the rain, and ever the hours have wings."

Landsborough (51 miles), with its refreshment-room, is the busy railway centre for Maleny, on Blackall Range, and Caloundra. Excellent views may be obtained from Mount Mellum and also Bald Knob, prettily situated three miles from Landsborough on Maleny road.

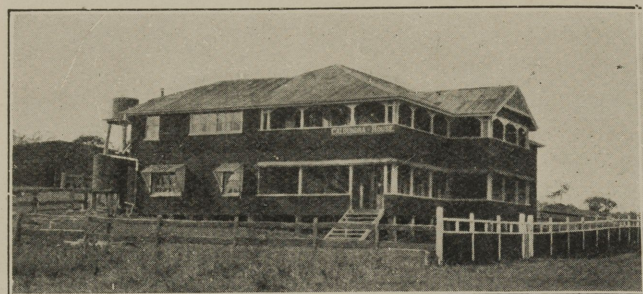


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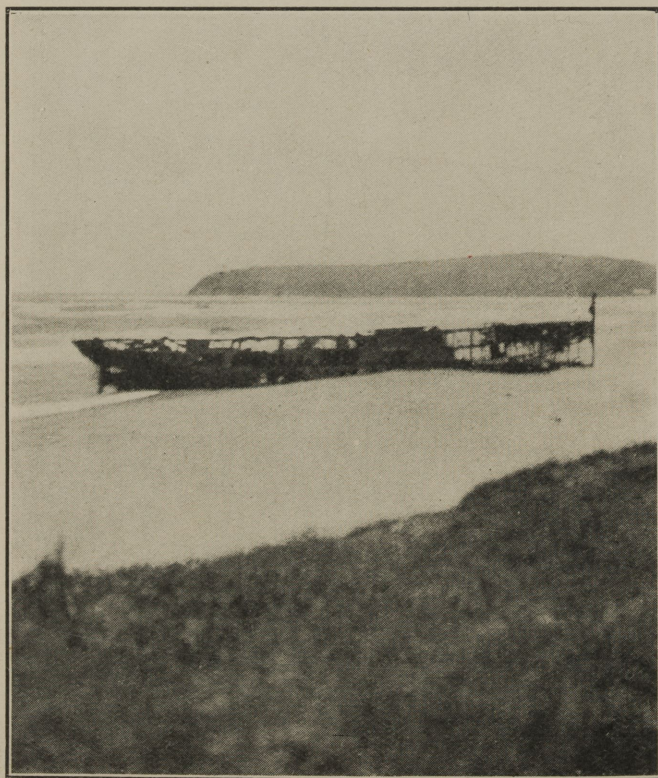
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### Evergreen, Flourishing Maleny

We find that the pleasure of the trip up Blackall Range to Maleny is enhanced by the bitumen road that has been constructed most of the way. Evergreenness and wonderful views of Glass House Mountains are the leading impressions of Maleny.

Of the superb outlook on Glass House Mountains from McCarthy's Lookout, a former N.S.W. Governor (the late Sir William Davidson) said, "It is unique." The peaks appear so regular in sequence that they suggest huge monuments of a bygone race.

Near Maleny, Howell's Knob is the range's highest point. It supplies a comprehensive picture of Montville-Mapleton orchards before we turn east to the lower levels of coast and ocean. At Gardner's Falls the water drops into a rock swimming pool. Bobermeins Falls lie far in the virgin forest.

"The Narrows" of Obi Creek are five miles from Maleny. Precipitous walls hold the waters to 30 feet in width for a mile.

During 1928 over 600 tons of butter were made at Maleny Factory. Bananas have been the main fruit. Pine, hardwoods, beech, and cedar are the main timbers in prosperous Maleny's considerable sawmilling industry.

### Charming Caloundra—Fishing, Boating, Surfing

"The sea! The sea!" So frenzied Greek soldiers greeted the almost entirely closed Black Sea after a long retreat from inland. From Caloundra the view is upon an ocean whose waters sweep without a break 7,000 miles to South America.

Landsborough-Caloundra road is brightened for us by patches of beautiful forest and, in season, by Christmas bells, pink boronia, the white of the tea-tree, and the graceful grass-stick.

Caloundra Hill gives a splendidly clear view of Glass House Mountains. Pumicestone Channel's long waters, between Bribie Island and the mainland, and several seafront areas return big yields to wielders of rod and line. The channel is frequented by large flocks of sea birds, and offers an interesting aquatic trip to Brisbane.

The surfing beach most in use is between Caloundra Head and the channel. It is safe, yet with plenty of life for those who like to sample the last line of breakers.

A short walk round Caloundra Head reveals that it is remarkable for the numerous slabs of rocks, cut and lined as though chiselled and marked by human hands. Some are deeply pitted and honeycombed. Limpets and shellfish abound.

Half a mile farther north we see that Moffat Head has even more interest for the conchologist. Shell fish of various sizes and colours hang to the rocks, black sea slugs wallow in the pools, and on the outer rocks yellow sea moss adds its tint. Large pools, crystal clear, are marine gardens of sea vegetation and shell fish of different colours.

Moffat Head's high bluff provides a surprisingly long view of coast headlands, beaches, and the countryside to Mounts Coolum and Ninderry. An afternoon of incident can be obtained by a stroll along the beach leading for seven miles to Point Cartwright. Here we find the old iron steamer "Dicky," which ran ashore on 4th February, 1898. It is buried in the sand to a third of its size. Large holes have rusted or been broken out of the sides, but if left to slow decay it is likely that a considerable skeleton will be there in a further thirty years:

"We looked on the tranquil, glassy bay,  
On headlands sheeted in dazzling spray,  
And the rusting ribs of a wreck forlorn  
That for thirty years had wasted away."

Another connecting link here with days long since is the "Queen of the Colonies" pandanus tree. In 1863 a party was sent from the "Queen of the Colonies," an immigrant ship, to bury a passenger's body on Moreton Island. After doing so, the party was blown to sea by a heavy squall, but later was washed ashore at Caloundra. The party cut the inscription "Queen of the Colonies" on the pandanus tree, and searchers followed this clue and discovered the lost people after they had suffered fourteen days' hardships.

Clean beaches on both sides of Moffat Head, a good creek for swimming, and pleasantly wooded foreshores make an ideal picnic ground. The spring in the rocks near Caloundra surfing beach has been cemented, and campers are assured of an ample water supply. Rock pools for use by children have been made.

### Landsborough-Palmwoods—Palm and Fern Forests

Our chief concern in the nine miles' train ride from Landsborough to Palmwoods (sixty miles) is to note the beautiful palm and fern forests. We pass through one State reserve of 150 acres.

Palms and ferns grow luxuriantly. They include the elegant piccabeen, with frond-like leaves, the slender midgeen, and the cabbage-palm, tree-ferns, staghorns and elkhorns, the huge bird's-nest, the hare's-foot, and the scythe fern.



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Pineapples, bananas, and citrus fruits have been observed at several places. Pretty Palmwoods has these fruits and timber as its principal interests. Its busiest days are Tuesdays and Thursdays, when the special trains are loaded for Sydney and Melbourne markets. Quantities of passion fruit, mangoes, papaws, and strawberries are also sent South.

The biggest loading day was in February, 1929, when 1,800 cases of pines were sent to Southern markets and 3,200 cases to the factory. Buderim Mountain Tramway, which includes sugar-cane in the produce carried, adds its quota to the life of brisk Palmwoods. It is the railway station for Montville, Blackall Range, Buderim Mountain, Maroochydoore, Alexandra Headland, and Mooloolaba.

### **Magnificent Montville's Glorious Panoramas**

At Montville the Blackall Range approaches so close to the railway that the motor trip is only six miles. The old name of Montville is Razorback, a very appropriate description of the almost sheer drop far down the mountain side to something like a level piece of ground, where the green of banana plantations refreshes the eye.

The new penetration bitumen road from Palmwoods, completed under the direction of the Main Roads Commission, finishes the ascent of 1,460 feet just to the south of this sensational landleap and passes right by the steepest section.

The drive up the range has its pleasing features of well-ordered farms and orchards, with peeps over forest-clad gorges to the distant sheen of the ocean. We feel increasingly the exhilaration that mountain air brings. But all the indications do not fully prepare us for the breath-catching surprise of the panoramic grandeur unfolded from the outlooks at Montville.

Lower heights seem to vanish into a vast plain of dark-green, over which, north and south, the track of the railway line can be followed by the string of towns and village settlements. Far eastward the farm lands and forest stretches melt away to the ocean shores.

On a bright day the white line of breakers is clearly marked, and each point, headland, and island picked out

for ninety miles. Far over the Pacific the eye is carried with the ocean horizon apparently rising higher than the land-line and making a ridge against the blue of the sky. Buderim Plateau and the mountain peaks to the north-east—Ninderry, Cooroy, and Coolum particularly—stand out abruptly.

The vividness of this gorgeous canvas is most striking, particularly on a fine clear day; but our enjoyment is increased by the changing moods of the weather and the resultant variety in colouring.

Morning mists and afternoon hazes, rain storms or cloudy days, sunrises and evening shadows, all paint their own pictures. A dark, starry night sees Double Island Point Lighthouse revolving its big beacon, with Nambour's electric illumination throwing hundreds of twinkling lights from the abyss as though reflecting brightly some of the countless gleaming hosts of the heavens. Southward over ninety miles the scene shifts to the friendly lights of Moreton Island.

The red volcanic soil of Montville Plateau contrasts brightly with the varying green and yellow tints of the citrus orchards. The many deep gorges that split asunder the western edges of the range mean the presence of numerous waterfalls and streams silvering the thick jungle that covers the steep slopes. Flowering shrubs and creepers, ground ferns, and the epiphyte (or air plant) elkhorns and staghorns, lilies, orchids, and other bush glories are here.

Bon Accord Falls (300 feet) are the largest, and from the heights there is a fine spectacle after heavy rainfall. Another interesting view is that from the Pulpit Rock. In its wandering course through the western canyons of Blackall Range that remarkable stream, the Obi, runs close to Montville. Fresh water cod of large size have been landed from this stream.

Blackall Range tableland is a citrus-growing area of considerable size. Weeks could be spent exploring its attractions, picnicking in its bush-sheltered valleys, and walking or motoring to one or other of the many lovely outlooks east to the Pacific, or west and south-west over the Mary River Valley to the Jimna and Conondale Ranges.

Distinguished travellers have called the Blackall Range "the Blue Mountains of Queensland." The late James Bryce, famous author and British Ambassador to the United States, spoke of the Range as being "as fertile in its soil and beautiful in its outlook as any place to be found anywhere."

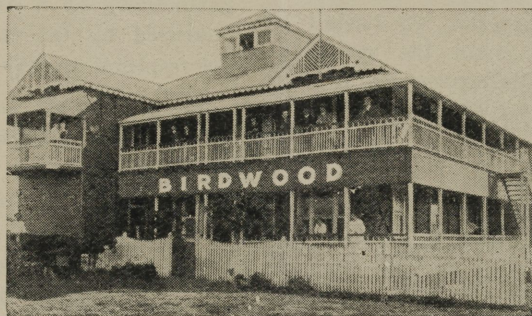


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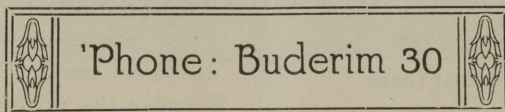


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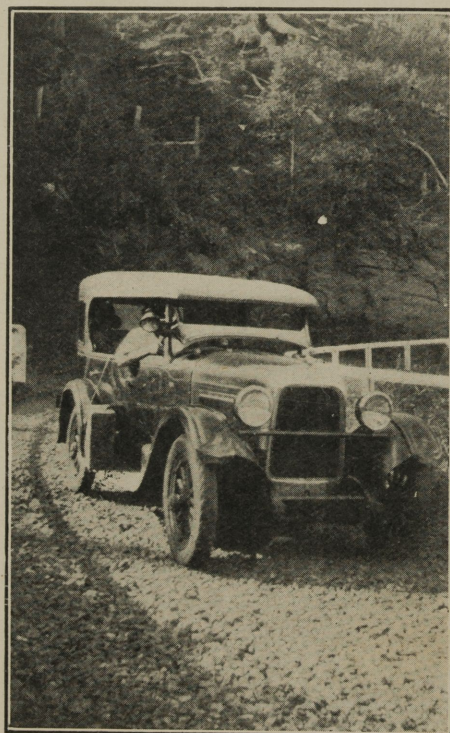
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Buderim is connected with Alexandra Headland and Mooloolaba by a good driving road through the bush. The descent sometimes leads past a settler's clearing, but always the peace and coolness of the forest returns until the oceanside is at hand.

### **Alexandra Headland—Mooloolaba**

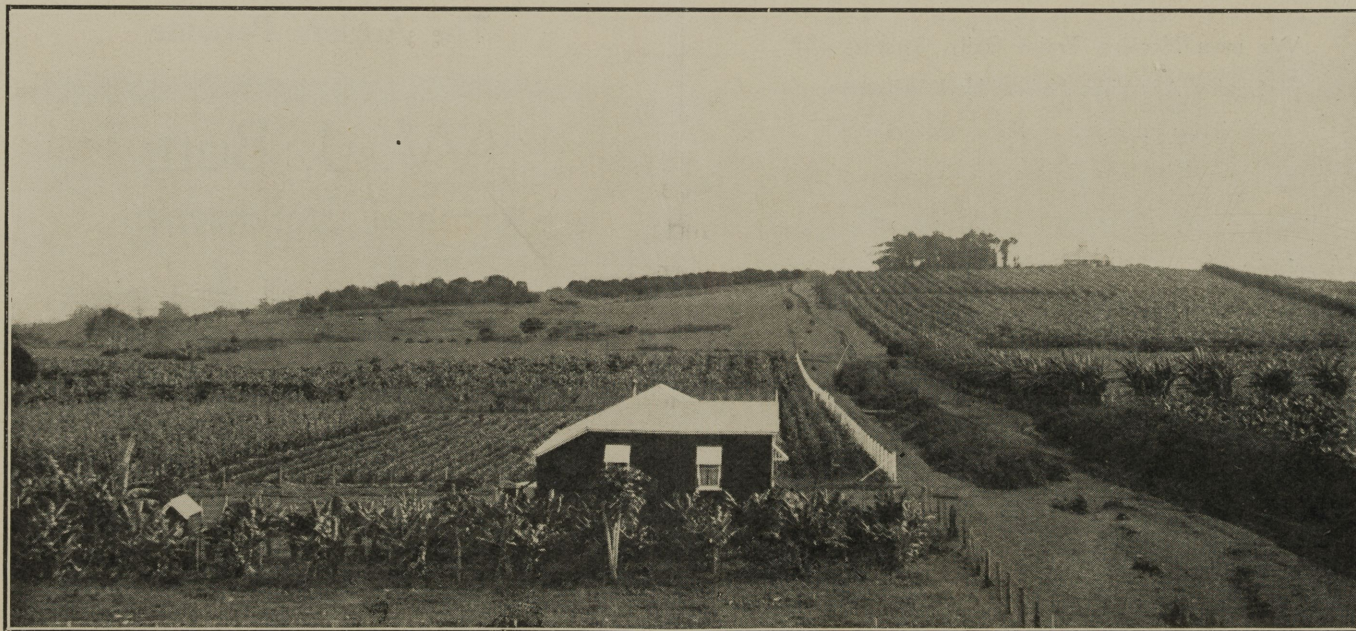
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Alexandra Headland has a fine surfing beach. South of the Headland, running to Mooloolah River, is the attractive Mooloolaba beach.

The seaside cottages, red-roofed, on Alexandra Headland are indications of the strong tourist tide. There is a gloriously complete view northwards. Along the blue and white Pacific shores our gaze travels past Pincushion Island and Maroochy River, Mudjimba Island, Point Arkwright, and on to Noosa's bold headlands, with the splendid Noosa and Coolum beaches clearly visioned. Then beyond until Double Island Point looms in the far distance. Inland the trio of Coolum, Ninderry, and Cooroy reach skywards above the lower levels of river valleys, cultivations, forest, and coastal hills.

Southwards the view is pretty but brief, ending almost as it began, with Mooloolaba beach, curving from the rock-strewn foot of Alexandra Headland to the quiet,



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tion. The pleasant smoothness of the trip is enhanced in enjoyment by pineapple and citrus orchards on either side. A patch of palm-woods beautifies the way, and other forest belts, containing chiefly stringy-bark, iron-bark, blackbutt, and tallow-wood, are passed.

A glance round Maroochydoore's environment reveals its central position in the "waist and middle" of the North Coast. Maroochy River has its interesting story of shipping of some tonnage and depth before the coming of the railway. Eudlo and other creeks contribute large bodies of water. The total is a lake-like expanse in front of Maroochydoore, built right to the water's edge.

Maroochydoore is the largest town on the North Coast ocean front. For boating and swimming the wide, shallow waters of the river are ideal. Numerous boats are available. There are many good fishing spots, and anglers find plenty of cod, bream, flathead, tailor, snapper, jew, whiting, and gar-fish. Numerous quaintly sedate pelicans frequent the river reaches.

Maroochydoore is only a short walk from the main surfing beach. The regular beat of the rollers is a constant reminder to townsfolk of the nearness of the uncertain ocean.

The former headland at Maroochy River's northern entrance is now an island. It is labelled "Pincushion"



At Mooloolaba, North Coast Line, Queensland.





Pineapple Plantation, Woombye, North Coast Line, Queensland.



View from Alexandra Headland, looking towards Maroochydore and Coolumb.



Island, a number of small twisted trees suggesting pins stuck haphazardly in a cushion. Pincushion may later become a headland, and the river have only one entrance.

Several miles north and some distance out to sea is Mudjimba, or "Old Woman" Island. Mudjimba is in a line with the round-topped Mount Coolum, and one aboriginal theory of Mudjimba's origin is that it was formerly the headpiece of Mount Coolum, but Mount Ninderry, the old man of the story, getting unusually angry one day, threw a large rock at Coolum and knocked Mudjimba into the ocean. Deep sea fishermen are glad of Mudjimba's existence, for many big catches are made here.

There is an attractive walk along Maroochydore's surfing beach and round the riverside. This lovely beach extends from south of the river for four miles to Alexandra Headland without a break. Excellent shelter exists for campers and surfers, these beach frontages being lined with she-oaks, pines, and other shade trees. Northwards the shore has a long curve to Point Arkwright, seven miles distant.

Motor-boat trips can be made to Yandina, and also to Deepwater, Bli Bli, Dunethin Rock, and other scenic spots on the Maroochy River and tributaries.



Maroochy River, North Coast Line, Queensland.



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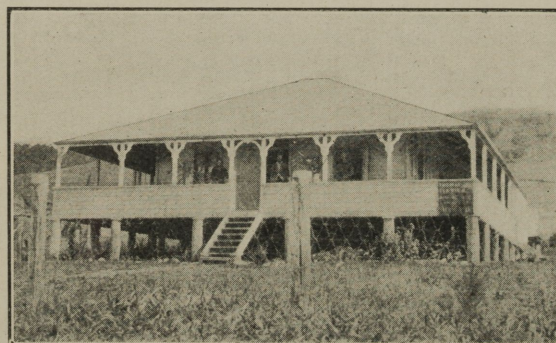
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### **Nambour—Prosperous Hub of North Coast**

Palmwoods-Woombye-Nambour; we are now in the centre of the tropical fruitgrowing region so interesting to Southerners. Here also opportunity can be made to see the mill handiest to Brisbane, where the crushing of sugar-cane and its treatment to the raw sugar stage is done. Moreton Central Sugar Milling Company, with its 2-feet tramlines, has largely assisted in developing Nambour and adjoining districts.

Nambour sugar-mill crushes a daily average of 900 tons of cane, producing 110 tons of raw sugar. Work is given to 190 men in the season, and the weekly pay-sheet is over £1,000. Growers in 1928 received an average of 37s. 9d. per ton for their cane; the crushings were 38,366 tons for 4,983 tons of raw sugar.

Nambour Rural School has students from nearly all parts of the North Coast. It gives special instruction in milk and cream testing, fruit packing and preserving, agricultural and domestic science, and in crafts most required in primary industries.

Nambour has a population of 2,500; it is sixty-five miles from Brisbane.

### **Breezy Mapleton, Beautiful Obi Valley, and Mapleton Falls**

Nambour is our railway starting point for Mapleton end of Blackall Range. There is a 2-feet tramline to Mapleton, but the motor service is used.

The trip over the tiers of foothills approaching the range is like mounting a huge staircase. Citrus orchards and banana plantations succeed the sugar-cane and dairying of the coast lands.

These valleys and fertile uplands seldom lose a strong tinge of green. After rain they are billowing seas of emerald.

A clear day on Mapleton heights and the white "cliffs" of Moreton Island, fifty miles south, are plainly discernible. Northwards the white rollers of the Pacific lie before us until ninety miles of ocean frontage are scanned. So Mapleton's commanding view at 1,400 feet impresses us with its extensive range.

Short motor trips can be arranged to the thrilling outlook upon the Upper Obi Valley, the imposing Mapleton Falls, and palm and fern groves. The Upper Obi Valley prospect is so sudden in its descent at one turn in the road that there is a sheer drop of 120 feet of rock face to where the tops of farmhouses are visible amid the green of cultivations.

An almost similar sensational leap is noted by us in the Mapleton Falls' last dive into the Obi Valley. After two small falls have been made the water plunges almost vertically some 700 feet to the rocks below, and the eye following the stream finds itself gazing upon the wet tops of trees growing in the depths of the gorge. In season the orchids in the palm and fern groves are glorious aids to the beauty and inviting coolness of the forest bowers:

"The tall fern spreads a graceful wing

To shut the light away,

And ever the fountains laugh and sing,

The moss and the maidenhair climb and cling..."

The drive along the top of the range through Flaxton to Montville should not be missed. Fruitful orange and mandarin orchards garland the way, with homesteads standing pleasantly behind masses of blooms and flowering shrubs. "The Limit," the aptly named home of Mr. H. Wilfred Walker, F.R.G.S., has one of the finest situations at Flaxton. This lovely spot has been visited and admired by many tourists.

Citrus fruitgrowing is the main industry in Mapleton-Flaxton districts, with dairying and timber-getting next in importance. Mapleton is one of the outlets for the extensive, highly productive Obi Valley.

### **Yandina For Lovely Coolum Beach**

At Yandina (sixty-nine miles) we have the nearest railway station to Coolum Beach. It is also well placed for motor launch trips to Maroochydoore. Mount Ninderry and the Golden Valley are beauty spots calling for a visit. The new road to Coolum traverses fine scenery along Maroochy River Valley.

With an attractive situation between Mount Coolum's imposing bulk and Mount Peregian, the fine Coolum Beach extends eight miles northwards in a long curve from Point Arkwright.

The "Green Hills" was the pleasing name bestowed originally on this fertile and pretty spot by Cook. Mount Coolum gives first-class panoramic views of North Coast features. With Mount Peregian, it provides a close-at-hand resort for fern-gathering and flower-hunting in the forests. Several of the grassy slopes lend themselves to tobogganing. On one steep decline the sledges run down 250 feet.

Coolum is well protected from westerly and southerly winds. The firm, wide beach is first class for motoring.

From the "black sands" of Coolum a syndicate hopes to get large payable quantities of rutile, a rare mineral found in association with titanium. Trams now run three times weekly on the tramway extension to Coolum.



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### **Cooroy-Tewantin—Noosa's Gateway**

Blackall Range turns north-eastward at Cooroy (eighty-one miles), 361 feet above sea-level. On Cooroy lands bananas have been the favourite crop on newly-cleared blocks, with pineapples and citrus on older cultivations.

Mount Cooroy is passed on the road to Tewantin, and its conical peak can be plainly seen from every headland and hill for forty miles north or south. Tewantin road is an excellent motor highway, and the nine miles are soon covered. With bluff-topped Tinbeerwah Mountain succeeding Mount Cooroy, the well-kept farms followed occasionally by belts of forest, and the deeper green of trees and shrubs lining the creeks, the comfortable run to Tewantin has special scenic charm. Noosa-Tewantin district, in earlier years, was noted for its big timber trees.

### **The Lakes Country and Tewantin**

But our Pacific rendezvous this time is Tewantin-Noosa Heads, and the tripper is not happy until he gets there. Tewantin nestles north and east into the broad embraces of the winding Noosa River, and to the south the prospect

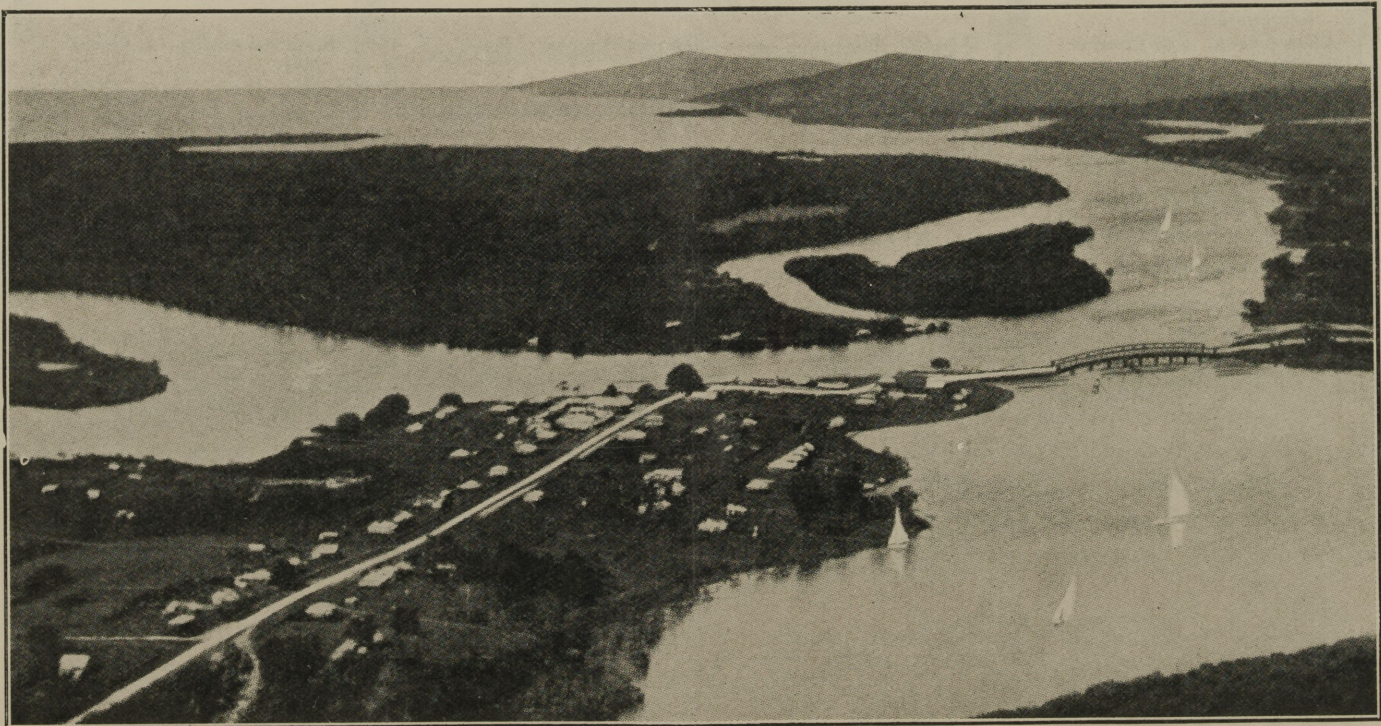
is over the small Lake Doonella. The watersides have refreshing lawn-like approaches.

Jetties, motor launches, fishing and pleasure boats, and bathing enclosures tell us of every variety of aquatic pleasure. The long-billed pelicans are numerous, and at feeding times particularly add their interest to an absorbing scene.

An old fig tree, of great height and long branches, occupies the centre of the pretty picture of river and lakeside peace and restfulness. The Tewantin soldiers' memorial is a tall column in this enclosure that commands attention.

Tewantin's prime interest is its nearness to the "Lakes Country." Cootharaba, the largest of six lakes, is ten miles north. Seven miles long by five miles wide, in very rough weather its waters become sufficiently disturbed to produce most of the effects of a sea trip.

Cootharaba, the "Big Lake," is reached by motor-boating up the wide Noosa River and passing through Lake Cooroiba, the "Little Lake," under two miles in length and one and a-half mile in width. Noosa River for nearly the whole of this delightful trip is fringed with thick bush, beautified in season by flowering shrubs and creepers.



Tewantin, Noosa River, and Noosa Heads; Lake Doonella to right.



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Boreen Point, on the left side of Cootharaba, two miles from the entrance, is a perfect picnic spot. Four miles farther, amid a cluster of islands, the Kin Kin Creek discharges its waters. Half a mile beyond Cootharaba is Lake Como.

For a boating and fishing joyland the Lakes and Noosa River are supreme. Bream, flathead, tailor, whiting, mullet, jew, perch, gar-fish, cod, and a dozen other kinds are in great numbers. The constant glorious sunshine of the Lakes country makes it perfect for a winter holiday. Anglers from Southern States have come year after year and stayed for several months. During regular trips, extending over fourteen years, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. J. Symon (Victoria) recorded a yearly average of 3,840 fish, the visits lasting five months each. Noosa River is navigable by light draught vessels for thirty miles.

A novelty that is carried away as a memento of Tewantin is the Teewah coloured sands. These many-tinted sands make a pretty exhibit, varying from dark and brown shades, through yellow and golden, to grey and silver.

Motor-boats can be hired at small cost. A run by motor-car can be arranged along the extensive beach thirty miles north to Double Island Point.

Tewantin-Noosa Heads area at present is really a triple settlement with promise of a fourth and large resort at the Noosa end of the eight miles of Golden Beach from Noosa Heads to Point Arkwright.

On the south side of Noosa estuary, half-way between Tewantin and the ocean, is Gympie Terrace, a marine village or esplanade of over forty residences mostly built for Gympie citizens. Small jetties or landing stages, and motor or sailing boats, are in large numbers.

### **Bright Laguna Bay and Noosa Heads**

Motor launches run from Tewantin to Gympie Terrace and Laguna Bay. A three miles' river trip and a few minutes' walk through bush that affords exceptionally good shelter, brings Laguna Bay in full view.

Laguna Bay is not large, but its position, running back in a curve from the bold headlands of Noosa to Noosa River entrance, makes its surfing qualities apparent to the practised swimmer. One cannot do other than like this charming environment.

The deep blue sea, with its white-topped breakers crashing on the clean shining sands, and the longer view past the Noosa estuary, along the Teewah beach and



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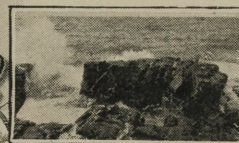
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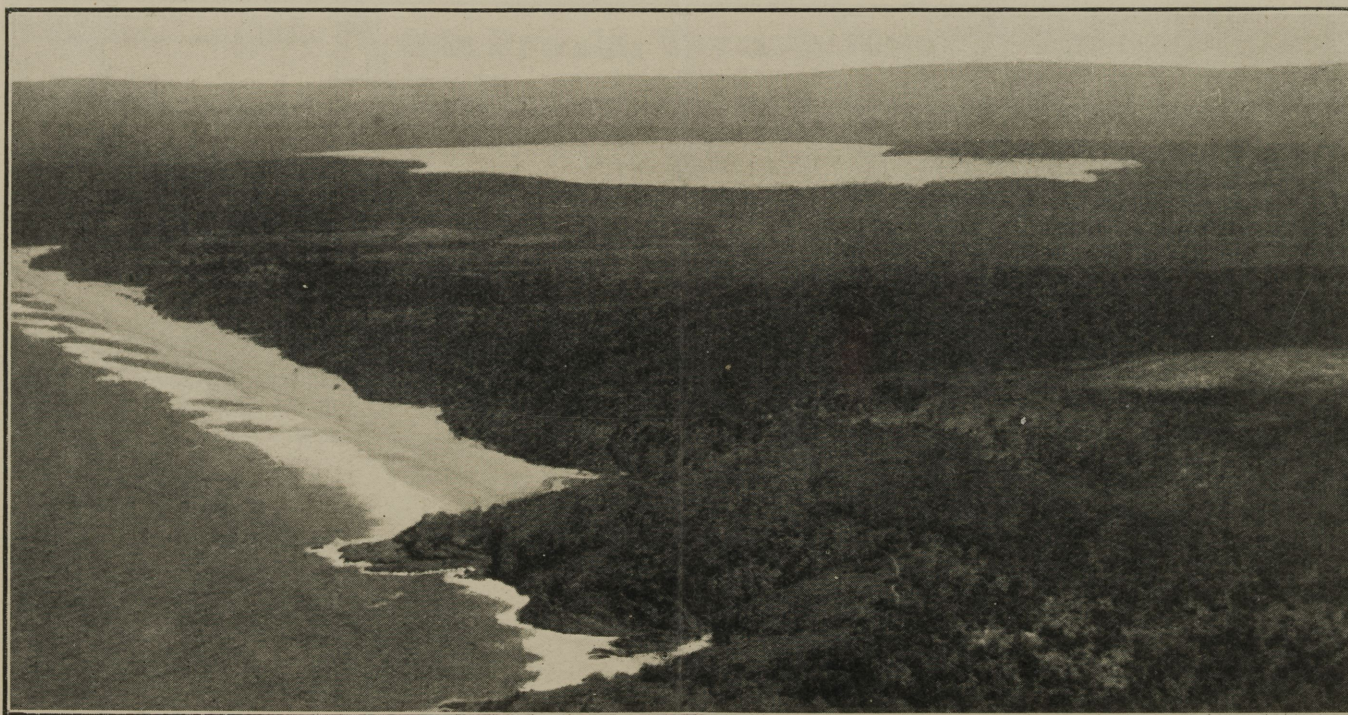
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onward to the distant Double Island Point, make a beautiful picture worthy of the brush of an artist:

“White sails on the blue water,  
White wings in the blue air,  
And the sun for pleasure shining  
And beauty everywhere.”

Turning south from the gentle sand ridges, there is the refreshing relief of thickly-wooded hills whose slopes are timbered with box, ironbark, bloodwood, and pine. Here and there are banana plantations.

### **Ocean and Land's Eternal Fray**

Boulder-strewn, foam-sprayed, Noosa Headlands! These Noosa hills rise to 300 feet and are still in their primitive forest-clad state except for a few foot tracks which wander up and down their slopes.

The descent to the sea at times is very sharp. From the greater heights the eye feasts on a riot of force and colour when the blue waves surge stormily against the cliff sides and break into white clouds of spray.

“Boiling pots,” half grown or matured into large, strange shapes by long strife between ocean and land for mastery, are seen here at their best. After we pass Noosa's Boiling Pot, a cauldron of big size and intense force when a stiff breeze is blowing, “Hell's Gates”

claims attention. This marine disturbance is caused by the waves over the centuries smashing a considerable opening in the rocky walls of the foreshore. When a south-east gale is blowing, yellow-topped foam is thrown a hundred feet high as the waves are driven through the narrow chasm and the agonised waters boil and thresh the cliff faces.

“The Devil's Kitchen” is a similar phenomenon of smaller dimensions. The Stairway and Paradise Cave are other features of the elements' weird handiwork on these bold forelands. One can spend an absorbing day walking from Laguna Bay over these Headlands to Golden Beach, or vice versa.

### **Golden Beach, Noosa**

Georgous northern approaches and environs of broad river, big lakes, and wooded heights—the imposing Golden Beach sweeping splendidly from Noosa Headlands towards Coolumberrah has an incomparable setting. This is enhanced by Lake Weyba, a fine sheet of water, two and a-half miles long, lying to the south-west. The Weyba Creek runs from the lake into the Noosa River and confirms the peninsular shape of this magnificent holidaying region.



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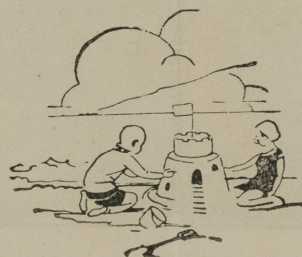
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Many years ago lovely Noosa's attractions were appreciated by Gympie citizens. The Government set aside a reserve at Noosa Beach for township purposes. The main difficulties facing the full development of these golden strands were a good road and the necessary bridges. Through the enterprise of Messrs. T. M. Burke Proprietary, Limited, with Noosa Shire Council co-operating, a big change has been made.

A first-class motor highway has been constructed, the Doonella Lake and Weyba Creek bridged, and Noosa Beach's unsurpassed attractions made fully available to visitors and those desiring to secure allotments for oceanside homes. A large number of allotments already has been sold.

With the two bridges, built on concrete piers, absorbing over £6,000, the expenditure on the new road was nearly £12,000.

The new town of Noosa has been planned for building on the hill slopes at the northern end of this great beach. At low tide the sand is so solid that it has been used for motoring. Noosa will be governed on the zoning principle and other modern town methods, with provision for parks, sports grounds, and viewpoints.

Back to the railway line at Cooroy, we entrain for Gympie, our last stage on this North Coast tour.

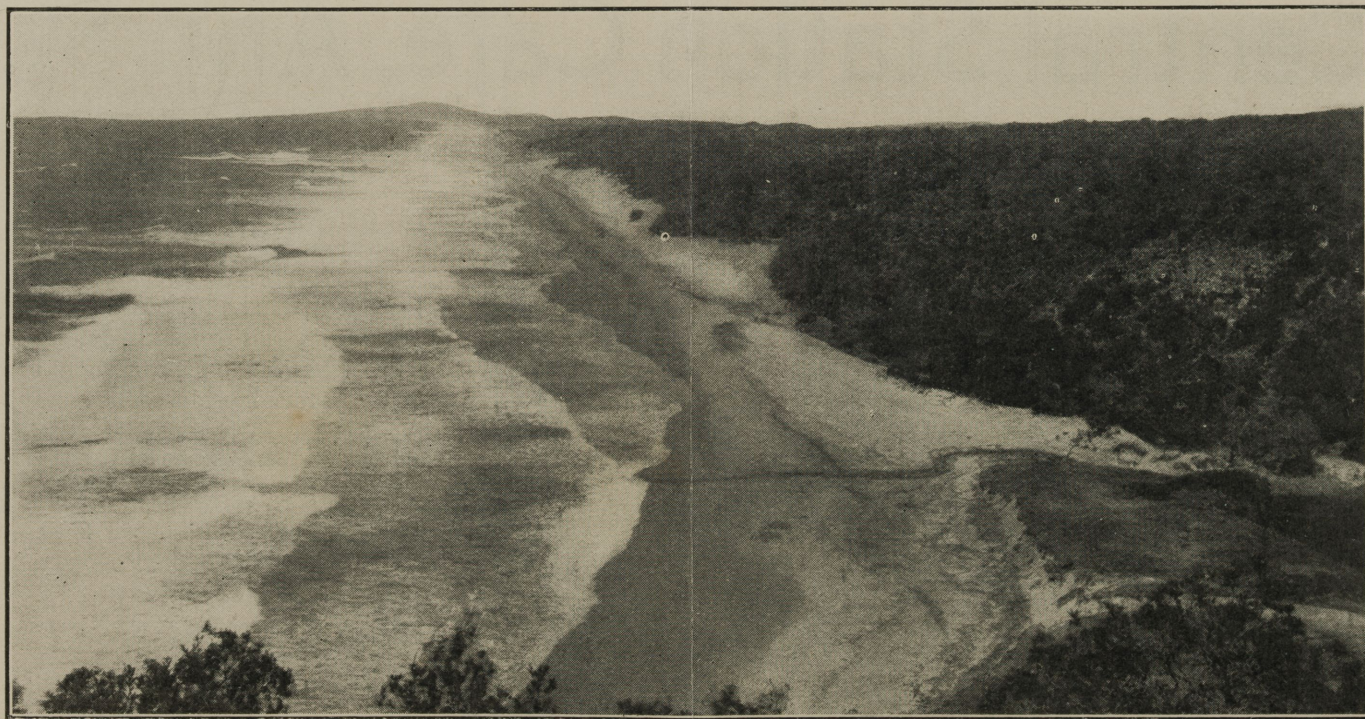
### **Gympie's Gold—Old and New**

"Dear one, if I'm not too bold,  
Thou dost think too much of gold."

So an old ballad ran. South Queensland's greatest mining centre, Gympie, thought so much of gold that it feared that it was "done" as a town when the yellow metal began to fail. Yet James Nash, its discoverer, has told us that the two Maryborough banks to which he offered in 1869 the first gold won from "Gimpi," as it was first printed, would not buy it because times had been so bad in Queensland that they hardly knew what gold was.

Gympie and district to the end of 1928 produced gold valued at £14,303,099. But dairying, the new gold producer, over the last ten years earned £3,000,000 and has equalled the average of the gold returns. During 1928-9, Wide Bay Co-operative Dairy Company's output was 2,422 tons, and suppliers received £389,616 for cream. Gympie factory is one of the largest in floor space in Australia.

Fruit annually is worth over £160,000 to Gympie, and pig-raising over £30,000. Gympie and Cooran Stations have despatched 5,000 cases of bananas in a week. Citrus fruits, pineapples, papaws, passion fruit, and custard apples flourish.



Golden Beach, Noosa Heads, North Coast Line, Queensland.





## By Mountain and Sea

Gympie's growing population is 9,750. A fine water supply pumped from Mary River, and electric light and gas, give Gympie all modern conveniences.

Gympie is built on several hills and ridges running to Mary River. The Court House Tower and Fire Brigade Station command impressive views over Gympie's picturesque situation. The city and suburbs are enclosed in an amphitheatre of hills. Mount Mooreraï and other heights, rising to 2,000 feet and distant twelve miles, provide a remarkable panorama that covers scores of miles.

The contours of this very interesting area suggest irresistibly that it was a great mineral workshop when the world was being fashioned. The large man-made

dumps of tailings emphasise this. Much adornment of city and suburbs has been undertaken. One of the latest public reserves, Memorial Park, is a pretty spot.

### Tincan Bay For Fishing and Shooting

Gympie's old-established seaside pleasure ground is Noosa Heads. Talking with Gympie townsmen, we soon learn that they think highly of Tincan Bay's attractions. This resort is located on a deep inlet of Wide Bay, and has several creeks. It is thirty-five miles from Gympie. The main beach is between Double Island Point and Inskip Point. Splendid shooting and fishing can be had at this sportsman's rendezvous. Wild flowers in season grow abundantly in this unspoiled garden.

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